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 Riots in Gdynia and Gdansk (Danzig)

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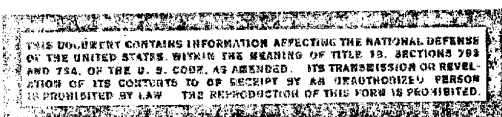
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1. Longshoremen in Danzig, discussing the June events in Berlin and East Germany, expressed satisfaction with the uprising. They were agreed that the action was "a stillborn child" as nothing could be done against the Soviets. They said that because of the constant pressure by the Communist regime they were so worn down that although they were willing to take action against the regime, they were only concerned about their daily bread. They also expressed doubts as to whether it would be possible, in Poland, to mobilize the masses to the extent required to overthrow the Communist regime as they believed that the Poles, as most of the Germans, were without any energy.
2. [redacted] most of the Polish ships in the harbor, particularly tugs and ferries, had dressed ship with masthead flags. Several passenger ships entered and left harbor crowded with persons. 25X1
3. [redacted] large numbers of civilians queued up at bakeries and foodstuff shops. The shortage of potatoes had resulted in larger quantities of flour consumed, with the effect that almost no flour could be obtained. Meat and bacon could be bought only at the black market in Gdynia with razor blades, cigarettes, lighters and similar items serving as barter commodities. [redacted] a similar food stuff shortage in Stettin. 25X1

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